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1. IN CONVERSATION WITH CHARGE ON DECEMBER 19, NOGUEIRA BATISTA CONFIRMED GOB WOULD PROBABLY AGREE TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF BILATERAL SHRIMP AGREEMENT TO MARCH 1; EXPECTED COMPLETION GOB'S INTERNAL CLEARANCE PROCESS BY DECEMBER 26-27.

2. EMBASSY ECON OFFICER MEANWHILE APPROACHED SERGIO BATH, CHIEF, FONOFF BASIC PRODUCTS DIVISION, TO DISCUSS EXTENSION PROCEDURES ON ASSUMPTION GOB'S DECISION WOULD BE FAVORABLE. BATH NOTED THAT GOB MINISTRIES WOULD BE OPPOSED EXTENSION COVERING ANY PORTION ACTUAL FISHING SEASON THAT WOULD PERMIT OPERATIONS DURING 1975 UNDER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF 1972 AGREEMENT; HOWEVER, SINCE PROPOSED EXTENSION WOULD NOT INVOLVE SUBSTANTIVE CONSIDERATIONS AND WOULD HELP MEET USG LEGISLATIVE NEEDS, HE THOUGHT GOB WOULD PROBABLY AGREE.

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3. BATH AND EMBOFF AGREED, SUBJECT TO WASHINGTON AND GOB

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CONCURRENCE, THAT EXTENSION WOULD BE EFFECTED BY EXCHANGE
OF NOTES, ALONG LINES OF THE EXCHANGE LAST JUNE, WITH
MODIFICATIONS AS APPROPRIATE. PRINCIPAL CHANGE CONCERNS
COMPENSATION; INASMUCH AS NEW EXTENSION WOULD NOT COVER
FISHING SEASON, BATH THOUGHT GOB WOULD NOT ASK FOR
COMPENSATION.

4. FOLLOWING IS PROPOSED LANGUAGE FOR DEPARTMENT'S CONSIDERA-
TION (LANGUAGE NOT YET SHOWN TO GOB):
(A) GOB NOTE -- BEGIN QUOTE
MR. CHARGE D'AFFAIRES:
I HAVE THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CONCERNING SHRIMP,
SIGNED ON MAY 9, 1972 IN THIS CITY AND EXTENDED BY EXCHANGES OF
NOTES ON DECEMBER 31, 1973 AND JUNE 24, 1974 UNTIL DECEMBER
31, 1974.
I HAVE THE FURTHER HONOR TO PROPOSE TO YOU THAT THE
REFERENCED AGREEMENT AGAIN BE EXTENDED, ON THIS OCCASION UNTIL
MARCH 1, 1975. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF
BRAZIL WILL NOT EXPECT COMPENSATION UNDER THE CONDITIONS REFERRED
TO IN THE EXCHANGE OF NOTES OF MAY 9, 1972 FOR THE PERIOD
OF THIS CURRENT EXTENSION.
I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO YOU ASSURANCES OF
MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. END QUOTE OF GOB NOTE.

(B) EMBASSY RESPONSE. BEGIN QUOTE
EXCELLENCY:
I HAVE THE HONOR TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR NOTE OF TODAY'S DATE;
THE TEXT OF WHICH IN ENGLISH READS AS FOLLOWS:
...(REPEAT FONMIN NOTE) ...
I HAVE THE HONOR TO INFORM YOUR EXCELLENCY THAT THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AGREES TO THE
TERMS OF THE NOTE TRANSCRIBED ABOVE.
(COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE)

5. ACTION REQUESTTED: EMBASSY REQUESTS AUTHORITY BY IMMEDIATE
CABLE, TO PROPOSE FOREGOING LANGUAGE TO FONMIN AND, IF LANGUAGE
IS ACCEPTABLE TO GOB, TO EXCHANGE NOTES EXTENDING SHRIMP
AGREEMENT TO MARCH 1, 1975.
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